



## Villa Linda, Guatemala Village Plan FY2009 (July 2008 - June 2009):

*This Annual Village Plan has been developed by the children, women and men of Villa Linda through the Values-Based Planning process, a process in which the entire community chooses the upcoming year's activities based on their commonly-held values, vision and goals.*

### Sustainable Economic Growth

**Objective:** *The families will improve their nutritional security and family incomes through trainings in diverse agricultural topics and implementation of various productive businesses with a focus on sustainability.*

- **Vegetable Project:** The families of the community will be producing different types of vegetables for better nutrition and income generation
- **Fruit Tree Project:** The families that have fruit trees will know the proper ways to manage them
- **Youth Gardens:** The children of the community's school will be organized and participating in growing their own vegetables for their families
- **Corn:** The families of the community will use new techniques to grow corn
- **Worm-Composting:** Families will use worms to produce organic compost for their crops
- **Coffee Project:** The coffee farmers will learn techniques to improve production and increase the size of their parcels, as well as export to local and external markets
- **Livestock Project:** The families will improve their diets and generate income by raising small and large livestock, including chickens, rabbits, pigs, sheep, goats, and cows
- **Reforestation:** Areas will be reforested to conserve natural areas and implement sustainable use of forests

### Community Organization

**Objective:** *Promote the strengthening of the community's organization and the participation with a business vision to achieve changes through the promotion, training and implementation in productive projects, based on the Fundamentals and values of Agros.*

- **Community Organization & Leadership:** The committees, including Youth and Women committees, will be organized, legalized and trained in order to carry out representative roles in decision-making, administration, responsibility and project management

- **Values-Based Planning:** Identification of community's values that are applied in project planning and implementation of activities

### Community Education and Training

**Objective:** *To strengthen the participation process and empowerment of the women and youth groups so that they may become key actors in improving health and education for themselves and their communities.*

- **Community Banks:** The women will administer their own businesses, contributing to the generation of family income and improving their living conditions
- **Strengthen Education:** School-aged girls and boys and their parents are motivated for the children to continue their studies beyond elementary and middle school levels
- **Resource Center:** Improve and increase the educational materials available to the children and adults
- **Adult literacy:** Adults and youth alike have opportunities to learn to read and write
- **Training for youth and women:** Youth and women have opportunities to participate in productive activities, including bread-baking, embroidery and weaving
- **Health:** Families will receive training in various health-related topics, including medicinal plants, first aid kits and preventive and reproductive health

### Housing and Infrastructure

**Objective:** *Promote infrastructure projects that reflect quality, efficiency and participation of the families, under the vision and values of the families involved.*

- **Bread Oven:** An oven will be constructed for the families to bake bread for consumption and to sell